

## SILK WORTH HOTEL SUICIDE ATTEMPT FOILED BY POLICE

### Woman Drinks Lysol Rather Than Suffer Arrest On Husband's Charge

### NOW OUT OF DANGER

While a police officer waited to take her into custody, Mrs. Martha Jones, 23, drank a quantity of poison Saturday at her home at Lake Silkworth rather than submit to arrest on a complaint filed by her husband. She was a patient in Nesbitt Memorial hospital for several days. Physicians say she will recover.

The suicide effort followed an attempt by David Jones, well-known hotel proprietor at Lake Silkworth, to have his wife arrested on the charge of disorderly conduct. On two previous occasions the woman had been defendant in similar proceedings started by Jones, the last arrest occurring on July 18. Later there was a reconciliation and Mrs. Jones returned to her husband's home at Silkworth.

Again Saturday morning domestic trouble developed with the result that Jones had a warrant prepared charging his wife with disorderly conduct and drinking. The warrant was placed with Chief of Police Ira Stephenson, of Harvey's Lake, to serve. Stephenson went to the Jones hotel about noon and informed Mrs. Jones that new charges had been preferred against her.

Excusing herself from the officer on the pretext of getting some clothing, Mrs. Jones went to her bedroom while Chief Stephenson waited. A moment later the police officer heard the thud of a falling body. He discovered Mrs. Jones writhing in pain on the floor of her room. Near at hand was a partly emptied bottle of lysol.

With the assistance of her husband, the woman was placed in Chief Stephenson's automobile and taken to the office of Dr. J. C. Fleming, Main street, Dallas. He ordered her removal to Nesbitt Memorial hospital. At that institution it was discovered that while the woman's mouth and throat were badly burned by the poison, little of the lysol had reached her stomach. Mrs. Jones has so far recovered that she was able to be removed to her home on Monday.

## REUNION OF DYMOND CLAN HELD AUGUST 1

### Over 200 Persons In Attendance At Meeting At Fernbrook Park

The twelfth annual reunion of the Dymond family was held at Fernbrook Park on August 1st. Over 200 persons were in attendance. Following luncheon a short business session was held. President Melvin Dymond conducted the meeting. Minutes of the 1920 reunion were read and the following marriages, births and deaths reported for the year:

Marriages—Herman Reese and Elizabeth Romayne Tingley, Stanley O. Dymond and Alice Pallet.

Births—To Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dymond a daughter, Eula Grace; to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hunsicker, a son, Donald; to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dymond, a daughter, Glenna May; to Mr. and Mrs. Gryan Lee, a daughter, Dolores June; to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Holland, a son, Carl; to Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hinman, a daughter, Nancy Elizabeth.

Deaths—Leo Dymond, Ralph Dymond, James Snyder and Aaron Coolbaugh.

Officers Elected—President, Joseph Dymond; vice-president, Ben Dymond; secretary, Mrs. Raymond Dymond; treasurer, Floyd Dymond.

Oldest member present—Mrs. Mate Dymond.

Youngest member present—Richard Dymond, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Dymond.

Member coming from the longest distance, Boyd Dymond.

Member having largest family at the outing—L. B. Dymond.

### MRS. N. P. KROUP

Mrs. N. P. Kroup, 53, of Hunlock Creek, died early last Thursday morning at the home of her son, Thomas, Kington, following an illness of complications. She was the former Janie Bennett, of Luzerne.

Besides her son she leaves her husband, two daughters, Mrs. Jacob Benzenator and Mrs. Kulp, both of Hunlock Creek, and three grandchildren. She was born in Luzerne and was married in 1888 to her husband, N. P. Kroup, with whom she lived until her death.

Funeral services will be held at the home of her son, Thomas, Kington, on Saturday morning, August 15, at 10 o'clock. Burial will be in the cemetery at Kington.

### Independent Candidate



Robert J. Prudhoe, former resident of this region who will be an independent candidate for the office of County Commissioner, Mr. Prudhoe believes the time is now ripe for a candidate to come before the people who is not linked with any political organization and who will not have any political obligations to meet if he secures the office.

## SUES SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR TUITION COST

### John A. Hildebrandt Starts Unusual Case In Court Against Lake Twp.

Testimony was taken before Judge W. A. Valentine Monday in two suits brought by John A. Hildebrandt, of Lake township, against the Lake township school district seeking to recover from that district tuition fees paid to Lehman township and Dallas borough school districts for his children, James and Charlotte. Decision was reserved.

Mr. Hildebrandt is asking \$147.92 from Lake township school district, with interest from June 1, 1923, the amount he paid for tuition of his children at the Lehman high school, and \$16 he paid for their tuition in Dallas borough schools for the two previous years.

Plaintiff charges the Lake township school is more than five miles from his residence, that the school district has not supplied free transportation to the school and that he found it more convenient and satisfactory to send the children to Dallas and to the Lehman high school.

Attorney A. L. Turner represented the plaintiff at the hearing and Attorney J. P. Harris the Lake township school district.

## Dallas Defeats Shavertown 12 to 3

By Richard Lawley

Dallas and Shavertown clubs of the Wyoming-Luzerne County Rural League settled the last regularly scheduled game of the 1931 season on the township's school yard when the locals batted out eight runs in the fourth inning and won by the score of 12 to 3 and thereby went ahead 50 points on the losers with great enthusiasm. A large crowd witnessed the game despite hot threatening weather.

Pollock, a new man from down in Luzerne proved a consistent batter and lead off man against Abie Winters and in the 5th, after Winters was knocked out, he hit "Lefty" Thomas, the relief pitcher for a few bases, that piled up the score by driving in Scouton, who by the way, proved himself a good come-back when he hit safe to get on base, and in the 4th lined the ball out with the rest of the bunch when Winters would not quit.

Spectators will tell you that this was the funniest game that they ever saw. The inning started out with Wilson hitting safe to centre. That was all right. Then Griffiths missed a knee high curve for the last strike, which was regular. But, Mugsy Levisky hit a fly out into the ashes in right and Wilson went to third. Then Scouton hit safe, after Mugsy went to second on a passed ball. Both runners scored on the hit and the batter went on down upon the ball being played on the runners.

Woolbert hit down through the infield to right centre and Scouton scored. Then Pollock sent the runner down when McNelis could barely touch his fast grounder toward short field, and Reese caught a nice low ball and lifted it over the swamp, filling the bases.

Lee knocked the next one on the ground through "Lefty" Thomas in centre and Metzgar recovered the ball, but Woolbert and Pollock beat the throws and LaBar sent Reese in and Lee to second with a hit that Kitchener near second tried hard to get, but couldn't.

Winters, who had done too much gambling on the batters and with the umpire, retired to centre. Dallas didn't mind low balls, if they were delivered just right, not too low and not too high. When "Lefty" Thomas sent up the mound Wilson thought that he had hit a home run. He had two and was on page 4.

## SAVES PLYMOUTH GIRL FROM LAKE DROWNING

### Rose Cordick, 23, Rescued By Lifeguard Lutz On Saturday Afternoon

Seized by cramps while swimming in shallow water, Rose Cordick, 23, of Plymouth, was saved from possible drowning Saturday afternoon at Harvey's Lake. Her cries for help were heard by other bathers, but they believed the alarm to be a prank. The young woman, however, was finally assisted from the water by George Lutz, lifeguard at the lake picnic ground.

Miss Cordick went to the lake with a party of friends for the outing of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. She had been swimming at the picnic ground beach for some time when she felt an attack of cramps coming on. She managed to swim toward shore until she was in water only waist-high when she became helpless.

The young woman called for aid, but other bathers paid no heed to her. She had gone down the first time when Lifeguard Lutz reached her. She was taken to shore, where she soon revived.

## PHRIST ENTERTAINS MANY NOTABLES

Week-end guests at the Harvey's Lake summer place of Rev. Joseph Connor, of East Orange, N. J., were George Haldeman, transatlantic flyer; Richard E. Scandrett, nephew of United States Senator Dwight Morrow; Alfred McCosker, Samuel Ungler, New York stock broker; William Roblyn, tenor of Rox's Gang; Albert Patch, noted photographer; Arlene Swiger, Flod Odum and Boyd Hatch. The party arrived on Saturday afternoon in a plane piloted by George Haldeman. They left the Forty Fort airport for Cortland, N. Y., late Sunday afternoon.

## Local Men At Rotary Session

Warren Yeisley, secretary and L. A. McHenry, president of Dallas Rotary Club attended the recent district conference of secretaries and presidents of Rotary Clubs of 51st district held at Sunbury on Tuesday and Wednesday.

At the conference the Hazleton Club reported a balance \$1,400 saved from the district convention held there last spring. The Sunbury conference voted to return this money to each of the 42 clubs comprising this district with a recommendation contribute its pro rata amount to the ten million dollar endowment fund of Rotary International. Practically all of the clubs in the 51 districts of which Dallas is a member, are solvent as in Rotary International. The purpose of the endowment fund is to underwrite the work of Rotary International during periods of depression. By way of illustration, the annual per capita assessment for Rotary International was \$4.50, but at the present time the British Isles and others of depressed continental countries have had their per capita tax reduced 50 per cent. There are no salaried executives of any kind in all of Rotary work except the international secretary and his four stenographers. The entire body of officials including the international president the international vice presidents the entire number of district governors contributing all of their time free gratis and in many cases even their traveling expenses. This service without financial remuneration probably in a large measure accounts for the rapid spread.

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## Foresters Seek Site of State's Largest Hemlock

Harrisburg, Aug. 13.—One of the functions of the Pennsylvania Department of Forests and Waters is to answer questions and give information about native forest trees. But since June 22, when Governor Pinchot signed the measure designating the native hemlock as the State Tree of Pennsylvania, the forestry officials have been asked one question which so far, no one has been able satisfactorily to answer. The question is "how big is the largest native hemlock now standing in Pennsylvania and where is it located?"

According to the Secretary of the Department of Forests and Waters, Lewis E. Staley, who is intimately acquainted with their growth habits by reason of his woods experience, first as a sawyer in a sawmill near Mont Alto and later as a State forester, mature hemlocks normally reach heights of 60 to 100 feet. Diameters of two to three feet are common, and occasionally hemlocks four feet in girth have been reported.

Hemlocks seven feet in diameter have been reported, but if trees this size ever existed in Pennsylvania it is unlikely that they are standing today. Dr. J. T. Rothrock, commonly called the Father of Pennsylvania Forestry, many years ago measured a hemlock that was four feet, ten inches across the stump and had 542 annual rings.

Enormous hemlock trees are still standing in many sections of the

## 4-H CLOTHING CLUB HOLDS ITS ROUND-UP

### Meeting Held At Carverton Saturday Last—Many Prizes Awarded

Carverton was the scene of a busy meeting on August 8. The 4-H Clothing Clubs from Carverton, Olivers Mills and Wapwallopen, instructed by Miss E. Nitzkowski, Home Economics Extension Representative of Pennsylvania State College, had a round-up and exhibit of the work they have been doing the past ten weeks.

The sixteen girls from Carverton finished their first club clothing project which consisted of:

Hemstitching—Towels—hemstitching to be used as a decorative stitch on garments to be made later on.

Darning—Darning of all types of holes in stockings.

Night Gown—Drafted to their own measurements.

Kimona—Drafted to their own measurements.

The thirteen girls from Olivers Mills and Wapwallopen finished their second

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## MOTHER OF MRS. A. L. PARKS DIED SUNDAY

Mrs. Harriet M. Calhoun, aged 71, mother of Mrs. A. L. Parks, Main street, Dallas, died at her summer cottage at Wyoming campground on Sunday afternoon at 4:15. Mrs. Calhoun has spent her summers at the campgrounds for the past forty-two years. Her father died in the same cottage thirty-five years ago. The funeral was held from the late home in Plymouth on Wednesday afternoon with interment in Forty Fort cemetery.

## Past Grands At Lehman

The monthly meeting of the I. O. O. F. Past Grands Association of Luzerne County will be held at Lehman, a Saturday evening with Osage Lodge No. 712. At 8:30 the members of Osage Lodge will serve a roast beef supper and this will be followed with an excellent program of entertainment. All Odd Fellows and their wives and friends are invited. Hon. Willard G. Shortz, president of the association will preside.

On Thursday the Association together with the Ladies of the Rebekah Lodges will hold their annual Odd Fellows Day outing and picnic at Sans Souci Park. Prizes will be given to the oldest Odd Fellow and the largest family on the grounds. There will be field events of all kinds for both the old and young in the afternoon. The baseball game will take place at 4 P. M. The West Side Lodge will play a team from the East Side. Fred Pritchard of Luzerne is captain of the West Side team.

Sunday afternoon the Association will hold religious services at the Odd Fellows Home for the Aged at Middletown. Rev. H. George Russell, pastor of the Plains Primitive Methodist Church will preach the sermon. The Sextette of Hillside Lodge No. 863 of Edwarsville will sing. George Russell a director of the Home from Luzerne county has charge of arrangements. Members desiring transportation to the Home should call Mr. Russell in time so arrangements can be made.

## Band To Play

The Noxen Band composed of musicians from all sections of the back mountain region and led by E. Y. B. Engleman of Noxen will be on the program when Shavertown Fireman hold their bazaar and community day program next Saturday. The services of the band were secured through the efforts of the program committee composed of Vester Vercoe, Herbert Williams and Sam Woolbert, who attended the concert held recently at Noxen. The members of the committee were enthusiastic in their praise of the organization and quick to secure its services. Three entertainers who proved so popular last winter with the Courtland Fire company shows have also been secured to take part in the entertainment program.

## DOCTORS FAIL TO RE-VIVE MAN ELECTROCUTED

### Nesbitt Hospital Attaches Work Nearly 4 Hours On Mine Mishap Victim

Contact with a heavily charged wire on the outside of the mine of East Boston Coal Co., Luzerne, Monday morning, shortly before 8, cost Herbert Wright, 26, of Ideown, his life. First aid was given to Wright at the colliery hospital by fellow employees and the electrocution victim was taken to Nesbitt Memorial hospital unconscious. He was admitted to the hospital at 8:10 and physicians worked over him until almost noon without being able to revive him. He was officially pronounced dead about noon at the hospital.

The victim leaves his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wright, of Ideown, and brothers and sisters, Howard and Willard, of Ideown; Robert at home, Randolph, of Lehman; Marie and Gertrude, at home, and Mrs. Joseph McCanna, of Scranton.

Deceased was a member of Luzerne Lodge, Jr. O. U. A. M., Idetown M. E. church and was an organizer for the Idetown Epworth League.

The funeral was held from the home of his parents on Thursday afternoon at 2. Interment was made in Idetown cemetery.

## Fletcher For School Director

Walter Fletcher resident of the South District announces his candidacy for school director. Mr. Fletcher has never held Township office and reluctantly gave his consent after having been urged by a number of representative citizens and having been assured of their support. Mr. Fletcher has been a taxpayer of Dallas Township for seven years, is a man of sound business principles and integrity and is an excellent choice for school director if elected, the taxpayers may feel assured of his interest and support in all movements towards the advancement of the Township schools.

## 1,000 ATTEND IREM CONCERT SUNDAY NIGHT

### Fine Program Given At The Sixth In The Series At The Country Club

A well-balanced program of instrumental selections, close harmony and solos were enjoyed by approximately 1,000 persons on the pavilion of Irem Country Club on Sunday evening. It was the sixth of a series of Sunday night concerts, which have proven delightful features of the summer season.

The concert was opened with the playing of Songs from Scotland by the Manhattan Trio of Ralph Paul, piano; Lewis Savitt, violin; Chester Parry, cello. Their selections were enthusiastically received.

Three Harmonettes introduced an enjoyable innovation to the concert program. The trio composed of Florence Poad, Blodwin Lewis and Catherine Williams, sang in rare close harmony, "Abide With Me," "Day Is Dying In The West," "Just a Memory," "Just a Wearyin'," and "Shades of Blue."

The program was rounded out with a trumpet solo by Florence Poad, a violin selection by Louis Savitt, cello solo by Chester Parry, a soprano solo by Catherine Williams and a concluding group of numbers by Manhattan Trio.

**EVANS FAMILY REUNION**  
The Evans family reunion will be held at Fernbrook Park Saturday, August 22. Gladys Dalley is secretary of the organization.

## AN APOLOGY

Due to reasons that we can not control, we are unable to publish a lot of our late and best news this week.

## LIGHTNING STARTS HUNTSVILLE FIRES DURING STORM

### Neighbors Save Home Of Frank Bulford At Huntsville; Barn Destroyed

### MOTHER AND SON HURT

Lightning Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock, during the heavy rain storm that swept over this section, caused a fire which leveled a barn in the Huntsville district, owned by W. G. Laidler, and also caused a blaze at the farm house of Frank Bulford, cattle dealer, in the same section. Mrs. Clarence Elston and her son, Harold, 5, were slightly burned, by the flash while in the kitchen of the farmhouse. The blaze which ignited the attic was extinguished by a bucket brigade organized by neighbors. The house, however, was considerably damaged.

The loss on the Laidler barn amounted to several thousand dollars, partly covered by insurance. There was a large quantity of road oil in the barn, farm implements and hay, but no live stock. The blaze could be seen for miles around, but fortunately no other buildings were ignited.

At the Bulford home those of the household are of the opinion that the bolt followed a lightning rod. Elizabeth Breckenridge and Ruth M. Hazel, who were in the living room of the dwelling, reported that there was a deafening report and a ball of fire rocked the room, but they were not injured. Mrs. Elston and her son, Harold, were standing near the kitchen stove, and excitement prevailed when they ran screaming into an adjoining room, with slight burns on their heads.

It was then learned that a fire had started in the attic of the dwelling, caused by the lightning. Farm employes and neighbors hurried to the rescue and with buckets soon extinguished the blaze. Several hundred dollars will cover the damage.

The storm was extremely severe in Dallas, the rain coming down in torrents. Several trees were struck by the lightning and a transformer on a pole of the Luzerne Electric & Gas Company was struck. The residents on the west side of Main street were without lights until almost ten o'clock in the evening. A force of men had to replace the burned out transformer with a new one.

## Will Not Make Check of Autos Until Next Year

### New Code Changes Plan For Official Inspection

Harrisburg, Aug. 14.—There will be no fall motor vehicle inspection this year, Benjamin G. Eynon, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, today announced.

The amended vehicle code as approved by Governor Gifford Pinchot abolishes official headlight adjustment stations and official brake stations and also the official inspection stations of the annual inspection campaigns. These distinct types of stations will be replaced by stations designated "Official Inspection Stations" which will perform the functions of those they replace. This section of the code does not become effective until January 1, 1932.

Persons desiring to qualify their place of business as official motor vehicle inspection stations will be required by the Department of Revenue to pass rigid tests before a certificate of appointment will be issued.

**Appointments Later**  
The department is not making appointments now nor is it considering applications for appointments, Commissioner Eynon said. Proper notification will be given as to the time the department will receive applications.

The new stations will have the same authority to issue headlight and brake certificates as did the old ones. In addition they will also serve as inspection stations during the periodical compulsory inspection campaigns. They will make corrections, adjustments and repairs and inspect all safety equipment on motor vehicles trailers and semi-trailers.

**Must Obey Rules**  
While appointments are to be permanent, Commissioner Eynon made it clear that this permanency remains only as long as the station meets the requirements set down by the Department of Revenue. Persons desiring to operate an official inspection station will be required to apply to the Department of Revenue for a certificate of appointment on forms furnished by the department. Separate applications will be required for each place of business to be operated by the applicant.

Appointments will only be made to those applicants whose space facilities, equipment, trained personnel and general attitude toward the public meet with the approval of the department. Department representatives will visit every applicant and personally inspect his place of business. These representatives will be authorized to approve or reject applications.

It is proposed to district the State in such a manner that department

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